(d) if so, the time by which the institutes are likely to be opened in these areas; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) No, Sir, only 19 Institutions out of 89 Institutions are located in urban districts of the country.

(b) The question does not arise.

(c) and (d) The Government has some proposals for mostly need based strengthening of on-going Institutions and also for establishing few Institutions wherever are essentially needed during the IX Plan to achieve the targets.

(e) The question does not arise.

Central Agriculture University

2598. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to open a Central Agriculture University in Karnataka; and

(b) if so, the place selected for the proposed Universiry?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

Pilot Project for Rice Production

2599. SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether a Pilot Project was launched in the State of Orissa by the Central Rice Research Institute and the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting for the development of rice production in some rainfed areas;

(b) if so, the results achieved as a result thereof;

(c) whether the Government propose to extend the project to some other rainfed areas of the State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) Yes, Sir. A pilot project was undertaken in Dhenkanal Dist. of Orissa.

(b) Sixteen villages involving 350 farmers and covering an area of 160 acres of land were covered under the programme using the technology developed by CRRI. The performance of varieties viz. Kalinga III, Vandana, Sneha, Hira, Pathara and Parijat was demonstrated under rainfed conditions. An average yield of 3.53 tonnes of paddy per hectare was obtained.

(c) Yes, Sir. The Government of Orissa is planning to extend the project to more rainfed areas of the State.

(d) The Commissioner-cum-Secretary (Agriculture), Government of Orissa in a meeting held on 7th January, 1997, has decided that the project would be extended to other areas by involving Agronomists placed at different levels by the State Department of Agriculture as also other agencies. It was decided that in addition to dryland paddy, demonstrations would also be taken up on Maize, groundnut, lowlying paddy depending upon the importance of the crop in a given region.

[English]

Cari, Izatnagar

2600. SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the total budget of Central Avian Research Institute, Izatnagar during the last five years and strains of layer and broilers released during this period; and

(b) whether the performance of these strains is comparable to the available strains produced by private organisations?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) The total budget of Central Avian Research Institute. Izatnagar during the last five years was Rs. 1393.00 lakhs. Strains developed and released earlier are being further improved.

(b) Yes, Sir. Most of the layer and broiler stocks developed and released have been fund comparable to the commercial stocks available in the country from private hatchery sources.

Intrusion from Indo-Pak Border

2601. SHRI SHIVRAJ SHIGH :
SHRI VIJAY KUMAR KHANDELWAL :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of Pak trained terrorists who tried to intrude into the Indian territory with a motive to indulge in the sabotage during the year 1996;

(b) the number of terrorists killed or arrested during the said period;

(c) whether the Pak trained terrorists have suffered hearby losses recently; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?